said electrically conductive members have an enlarged base, an elongated electrically conductive member in contact with said base and having an end extending away from said base;

said end being enlarged;

said substrate has electrical conductor patterns extending from said first surface to said second surface.

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49. (Added) A structure comprising:

a substrate having a surface

a plurality of electrically conductive members disposed on said surface;

said electrically conductive members have an enlarged base, an elongated electrically conductive member in contact with said base and having an end extending away from said base;

said end being enlarged;

a sheet of material having a plurality of openings, said opening being positioned to align with said plurality of probe tips, said sheet is disposed over said plurality of probe tips, said elongated electrically conductive members being disposed in said opening.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-23 and 36-43 are in the application. Claims 1 and 24-35 are cancelled. Election of claims 1-23 and 36-43 is affirmed.

In view of the changes to the claims and the remarks herein, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the above-identified application.

As requested, a terminal disclaimer over any patent which may issue on U.S. Application Serial No. 08/756,831 is attached herewith.

Claims 5-10 have been written in independent form including all limitations of the intervening claims.

Claims 2-4 have been amended to depend from claim 7.

Claim 23 has been amended to include limitations found in claim 7 which the Examiner has indicated is allowable over cited art and should therefore be allowable.

Claims 1-3 and 23 have been rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Huff. Claim 1 is cancelled. Claims 2-3 are amended to depend from claim 7, which is not rejected over Huff.

Claim 23 has been amended to include a limitation similar to that recited in claim 7. Therefore, applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection of claim 23 under 35 USC 103 over Huff.

Claim 44-49 are added by this amendment. Claim 44 is essentially claim 23 and claim 4. Claim 45 is essentially claim 23 and claim 5. Claim 46 is essentially claim 23 and claim 6. Claim 47 is essentially claim 23 and claim 8. Claim 48 is essentially claim 23 and claim 9. Claim 49 is essentially claim 23 and claim 10. Since claim 4-10 are not rejected over Huff, applicants respectfully submit that claims 44-49 are allowable over Huff for the same reasons and respectfully request allowance thereof.

In view of the changes to the claims and the remarks herein, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the above-identified application. If the Examiner wishes to

discuss the application further, or if additional information would be required, the undersigned will cooperate fully to assist in the prosecution of this application.

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If the above-identified Examiner's Action is a final Action, and if the above-identified application will be abandoned without further action by applicants, applicants file a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences appealing the final rejection of the claims in the above-identified Examiner's Action. Please charge deposit account 09-0468 any fee necessary to enter such Notice of Appeal.

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